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ATOMS OF INFORMATION ABOUT PERSONS AND THINGS.

Current Events of the Week Systematically Collected From Day to Day in the Briefest Form and Reserved For This Column.

TUESDAY.
At Columbus, O., Oliver Trowbridge endeavored to quicken a fire with kerosene. Fatally injured.

Fire destroyed the seven-story drug warehouse of McKesson & Robbins on Ann street, New York. The loss will reach \$100,000.

On account of an alleged scarcity of crates, strawberry shipping from Louisville and New Albany reported on verge of collapse.

Edward Sharp and E. C. Lewis, farmers living near Kimball, Neb., fought a duel. Sharp received three wounds which will prove fatal.

Mrs. Samuel M. Clemens, wife of "Mark Twain," the American author and lecturer, died at Florence, Italy, of syncope. Will be buried at St. Louis, Mo.

Evans Woods, an aged farmer living near Winchester, O., attempted to cut by cutting his throat with a razor and bled himself in the attic of his dwelling. May recover.

MONDAY.
Curtis Jett, under a life sentence for the murder of J. H. Marston at Jackson, Ky., taken to prison at Frankfort.

George Sullivan, a well known young man of Newton Falls, O., hanged himself in a woodshed. No cause assigned.

Body of Mrs. William Nowland, a bride of a few months, found on the railway tracks at Springfield, O., with head crushed.

Government reports of cotton planted at \$1,720,371, increase 5,523,016, or 9.8 per cent; average condition growing crop 82, as compared with 74.

Elmer S. Lewis of Cleveland, O., a sailor on the battleship Kentucky lying at New York navy yard, jumped overboard and lost his life in an attempt to get away.

A freight train collided with a work train on the Southern railway near Harrodsburg, Ky., killing two men and injuring six. The dead: John Seaman, engineer of the freight train, and Sam Williams of the work train crew.

SATURDAY.
Storm of cyclonic proportions destroyed much property at Dallas, Tex.

A wealthy Australian who arrived in New York 10 days ago from London availed out of \$25,000 by men pretending to be wire tappers.

Seventeenth Ohio Democratic nominated James E. Hurst of New Philadelphia for congress. District delegates go to Cincinnati to St. Louis.

A tornado struck Glenora, a town of 1,000 inhabitants, in Paine county, Oklahoma, demolishing five residences and destroying the Methodist church.

Commercial failures this week in the United States were 229, against 182 the corresponding week last year. Failures in Canada number 26 against 24 last year.

Two workmen fatally injured and several others seriously burned by an explosion of a melting furnace at the plant of the Monongahela Steel company at McKeesport, Pa.

FRIDAY.
Major Tucker, aged 111, probably the oldest man in Ohio, died at Athens, O. He was born in Virginia and lived in Athens 75 years.

Frank Monteth's saloon wrecked at 1st Street's residence adjoining, badly damaged at North Grove, Ind. A dynamite placed under the saloon.

August Schmidt, 63, a prominent citizen of Glenview, near Cleveland, O., while lying in bed committed suicide by shooting himself in the head in his bath.

A man named Tindus drank carbolic acid at Tiffin, O., and then threw him in front of a big four train, which crushed him to pieces. In his pockets were \$25 and a silver watch.

Steamer State of New York, with 40 passengers on board, went ashore during a dense fog on the south shore of Long Island Sound, near the route to Toledo in Cleveland. Passengers all rescued.

THURSDAY.
Columbian branch of the Iron Works Co., Chicago, closed for business.

Brigadier General Edmund Rice, United States army, grand marshal at the world's fair, stricken at St. Louis with typhoid fever.

President Roosevelt appointed William M. Lanning of Trenton, N. J., to be United States district judge for the district of New Jersey.

William F. Curtis, a Cleveland park policeman, shot himself and died at a hospital. Curtis was recently assigned to the police bicycle squad and could not ride a wheel.

Hughes fatally shot Charles Lahey, postmaster at Falls Creek, Pa. Later Rev. Dr. Chidlow shot and wounded one of the thieves as he was about to enter the pastor's residence.

WEDNESDAY.
Fire destroyed the big coal and engine room of the Western Fuel company, Nantahala, B. C. The loss is \$82,000.

Passenger train on the Norfolk and Western plunged into a washout near Roanoke, O., but passengers and crew escaped injury.

At Cambridge, O., Andrew Mosser killed his wife and child and then himself. Mosser and his wife had frequent quarrels.

Ellas and Samuel Lewis instantly killed by a Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern train, which struck the bicycle on which they were riding, near Washington, Ind.

DISTILLERY FIRE.

Fourteen Employees Believed to Have Perished in the Flaming.

Peoria, Ill., June 6.—It is now known that at least 14 men perished in the fire and explosion at Corning's distillery. Eight bodies were recovered from the ruins, four of which are identified. Those identified are: George Gehardt, Peter Lattmeyer, Thomas E. Montgomery, Samuel Parsons, the list of unidentified dead and missing is as follows: Ernest Brown, Milton Crowl, William Finley, Jr., John H. Baker, Frank Knoll, Louis Sax, Alex. Powell, John Fushie, J. Zimmerman. The fire destroyed every building of the big plant except the distillery proper. The explosion which caused the fire was caused by running spirits, communicating the fire to the entire plant. The flames consumed 3,000 cattle in the sheds and 2,000 barrels of high-proof spirits. The loss is estimated at half a million dollars.

Nebraska Democrats.

Omaha, Neb., June 6.—The Nebraska Democratic state convention unanimously selected W. J. Bryan to head the Nebraska delegation to the national gathering at St. Louis and adopted a platform which reaffirms the Kansas City platform of 1900 and places before the people Mr. Bryan's views of what should be embodied in the platform of the coming national convention. Mr. Bryan was himself chairman of the committee on resolutions and wrote the platform, which was adopted without opposition. The platform declares against trusts, militarism and imperialism, and says the tariff should be restored to a revenue basis. It favors ultimate independence for the Philippines, an income tax and an 8-hour day, and reaffirms the money plank of the Kansas City platform.

Test of a Submarine.

Newport, R. I., June 2.—The submarine torpedo boat Fulton was given a trial in the presence of a naval board, which observed her movements from the United States steamer Albatross. Captain J. C. Train, chairman of the trial board, said that the maneuver was entirely satisfactory. The Fulton went over the Narragansett bay course twice at cruising speed and three times at full speed, the boat being on the surface during the runs. While submerged she was sent over the course three times and covered the same distance at a steady and ready pace. She was also tested on quick turns and made 16 dives. An observer stated that one of these dives carried the boat to a depth of 20 feet in 12 seconds.

Shooting of Caesar Young.

Washington, June 6.—It was ascertained here that Mrs. Nan Patterson, who has been arrested by the police of New York city in connection with the shooting of Caesar Young, the turkman, is a Washington girl. Her father, John P. Patterson, is well known in real estate circles of this city. It was stated that Mr. Patterson was in New York looking after his daughter's interests. Members of the family remaining in the city positively refuse to discuss the subject of the Young shooting. It is said that in late years Mrs. Nan Patterson has not been in close touch with her relatives, and outside of her immediate family they know little concerning her movements.

Blackmail Charged.

New York, June 2.—John R. Platt, the millionaire octogenarian, who claims that \$655,385 was obtained from him by Hanna Elias, a mulatto, by means of blackmail, obtained through counsel a civil order for the woman's arrest, the application being made before Justice Dugan in the supreme court. The order of arrest was placed in the hands of a deputy sheriff who went to the Elias woman's home and was refused admittance by her lawyer. The lawyer said that his client was too ill to see any one.

Work Begins on the Canal.

Colon, June 6.—The first party of 20 engineering engineers for the canal is engaged in selecting suitable locations for camping out at Gatun. A party of 10 is expected next Tuesday. The members of the party will be sent to Riohito Soldado and other points along the canal. Heavy machinery belonging to the canal company, dumped by the sea and other equipment which have been lying idle for years are being overhauled for early use.

Charged With Murder.

Portsmouth, O., June 2.—John Herrel, 25, was arrested in the outskirts of this city by the sheriff of Jackson county, on a charge of murdering his uncle, William Herrel, aged 60. The murdered man conducted a sawmill just across the county line. During a quarrel over some logs young Herrel, it is alleged, shot his relative over the heart, killing him instantly.

Shot by Negro; Latter Lynched.

Arlington, Ga., June 2.—Arthur Thompson, a negro, shot and killed M. L. Dudley, a young white man. A crowd of men captured the negro, lynched him and riddled the body with bullets. Dudley was manager of the city electric lighting plant and Thompson was a fireman at the same plant.

Couple Shot Dead.

Philadelphia, Pa., June 6.—W. H. Dorry, 60, and his wife, Lizzie, 40, were found dead at their home, death in each case being due to a bullet wound. It is the belief of the police that Dorry shot his wife and then killed himself. Dorry had been out of employment for some time.

Father of 23 Children.

Coshocton, O., June 6.—Michael Lapp, 70, father of 23 children, 18 of whom are still living, died at Franklin Station.

BUNCHED PARAGRAPHS

RELATING TO AFFAIRS IN THIS AND ADJOINING STATES.

Returns From the Democratic County Conventions and What They Indicate—Bald Eagle—Horse for Louisiana Track—Other Mention.

Frankfort, Ky., June 6.—Returns from the Democratic county conventions indicate that the uneducated vote will hold the balance of power in the state convention at Louisville and control the situation. Interest has been centered in the race between McQuinn and Kehoe for chairman of the two state committees, and the returns show that neither has a decided advantage. Of the counties heard from 19 have instructed for McQuinn and 28 for Kehoe, with 36 uneducated. McQuinn's list includes Jefferson county, which puts him on even terms with Kehoe as to the number of uneducated votes, and leaves it to the uneducated delegations to decide the fight. The administration people are thoroughly confident, and claim that eight out of 10 of the uneducated counties will vote for McQuinn and the administration on all questions.

Found Disembodied Body.

Knoxville, Tenn., June 6.—The decomposed, disembodied body of a woman was taken from the Tennessee river near this city, parts of the body having been found in three different places. While Isaac Johnson, a fisherman, was running a trot line, he saw an abandoned skiff and a small pine box floating in the river. When he attempted to take the box from the water he found that it contained a low neck nailed across the top and saw the thigh section of a human body drop to the water. Summoning help, the party took the box to the shore. It contained the right leg of a woman's body which had been cut off at the knee, the left foot and ankle, breast bone and a part of the back, with some decayed flesh and skin. Not far away, on the edge of an island, were later found a forearm and hand.

Receiver For Lantana.

Covington, Ky., June 3.—In the Kenton county circuit court Attorney James P. Tartin filed a motion asking for the immediate appointment of a receiver for the Lantana race track. Harlan P. Whitaker, who is the plaintiff, alleges that the majority of the stockholders never received any dividends, although the association earned large sums of money. Master Commissioner John L. Hieb was appointed temporary receiver. It is understood that the defense will make an effort to have the motion for a receiver set aside.

Fatal Explosion of Gas.

Fairmont, W. Va., June 6.—Four people were fatally hurt and eight others seriously injured in an explosion of natural gas which wrecked a large boarding house here, immediately following the explosion fire broke out and the occupants who were injured in the ruins were rescued with difficulty. Those who were fatally hurt were Mrs. William Dent and two daughters and Mrs. M. M. Wray. The explosion was caused by natural gas leaking from a rubber tube and lighting from a kerosene lamp.

Double Tragedy.

Baltimore, Md., June 3.—In a shooting encounter on the Stinking creek road, four miles above Flat Lick, Clark and John Miller were killed by Pat Caines and James Gray. Caines and Gray have been placed in jail here. The two dead men, aged 19 and 23 years, were buried in the same grave. In July, 1899, the father of the dead men were killed in a fight on Stinking creek and buried in the same grave.

Receivership Ended.

Knoxville, Tenn., June 2.—The receivership of the Tennessee Central road was formally ended. Rogersville when Judge H. M. K. asked the order dissolving the receivership. The order was for the receiver, V. J. Ayler. The order was for the receiver, V. J. Ayler. The order was for the receiver, V. J. Ayler.

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Deckhands Drowned.

Huntington, W. Va., June 4.—William Clark and Frank Harries, colored deckhands of the steamer Greyhound, were drowned here, and the co-owner has been charged with murder. It is charged that Hullin pushed Clark overboard to recover some freight. Harries jumped to save Clark, who was drowning, and both were lost.

General Hill Dead.

Lexington, Ky., June 1.—General Samuel E. Hill, who served with distinction in the federal army during the civil war, died of a complication of diseases. He served eight terms in the state senate from Ohio county.

CHARGE IS REPULSED.

Four Thousand Russians Are Stopped by Smaller Force.

HUNDREDS FALL ON BOTH SIDES.

Jap General Kuroki Reported Suffering From a Mild Attack of Typhus. Serious Chinese Invasion Threatens Russia—Minor Frictions Between the Contending Forces.

London, June 6.—A dispatch from Tien Tsin says: "Four thousand Russians belonging to General Savelberg's brigade on May 31 attacked 1,500 Japanese occupying a position five miles south of Wafangtung. The Russians were repulsed, losing 200 killed and 400 wounded. The Japanese lost more than 100 killed."

Various special correspondents in St. Petersburg report increasing depression in Russia over the prospect of the fall of Port Arthur, and say that wild reports are in circulation as to dissensions between the generals and the highest officials over questions of policy and strategy. The Daily Mail gives great prominence to a statement from a Russian correspondent, declaring that Russia will stand or fall by Port Arthur as far as the government's prestige with the lower classes is concerned. "Internal troubles are inevitable," the correspondent says, "should the fortress fall."

The St. Petersburg correspondent of Reuters' telegram agency says that increasing anxiety is felt over the remoteness of Chinese troops on the Manchurian frontier. The Morning Post's correspondent in St. Petersburg goes so far as to say that Russia is preparing to cope with a serious Chinese invasion.

A dispatch to the Morning Post from Shanghai says that some of the warships at Port Arthur have been beached and their guns removed to the land works.

Russian Losses at Kin Chou.

St. Petersburg, June 4.—The Russian losses in the fighting at Kin Chou are officially stated to be 30 officers and 800 men killed or wounded. These figures were given in General Stossel's report, which has reached the war office. The account says the attack began May 21 and continued on the evening of May 26. The real fighting was practically confined to May 25 and May 26, the Japanese remaining quiet the two previous days. General Stossel reports that owing to the absence of the support warships against the Japanese, the fire at the time of the final assault on the Russian positions on Nanshan Hill, during the evening of May 26, he gave the order to blow up the guns and retire. The general explains that the order was only partially executed, as the enemy's flank movements necessitated a prompt retreat, which he says was carried out with great coolness, thus accounting for the equality of the Russian losses.

Japanese Losses.

Tokyo, June 4.—The total Japanese casualties at the battle of Nanshan Hill May 26, 1904, are 4,301. They are divided as follows: Officers 31, including one major and seven lieutenant majors; 713 noncommissioned officers and men killed; 100 officers, including one colonel, one major and 12 sergeant majors, wounded.

Kuroki Ill.

St. Petersburg, June 6.—According to information received here, General Kuroki has been suffering from an attack of typhus, but he has now recovered. The general's illness has not advanced to the relief of Port Arthur. In any case orders to go so have not yet been transmitted. It is rumored that the army corps of the St. Petersburg district will be mobilized shortly.

Jap Warships Reported Sunk.

Paris, June 7.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Matin says that a naval officer repeats the story already in circulation at Liao Yang that the Russian squadron at Port Arthur has made a sortie and sunk two Japanese torpedo boats and a battleship of the Shikishima class.

Russian Gunboat Torpedoed.

Tokyo, June 6.—The Russian gunboat Diklak was torpedoed and destroyed at Port Arthur by a Japanese torpedo boat.

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Exploded in the Railway Station.

Cripple Creek, Colo., June 7.—By the explosion of the infernal machine at the railroad station at Findlay, a few miles from the city, 13 men were killed and several others seriously injured.

All the Dead and Injured.

Exception of two men from the dead and nine, were nonunion miners employed on the night shift of the Findlay mine. The men had quit work and were waiting to board a suburban train on the Florence and Cripple Creek railroad and return to their homes in Cripple Creek and Victor.

Just after the engineer of the approaching train blew his whistle as a signal to the miners, according to custom, a terrific explosion occurred under the station platform, on and near which 20 men were gathered. The platform was blown into splinters, the station was wrecked and a hole 20 feet in circumference and as many feet in depth was torn in the ground.

Suit For Back Taxes.

Louisville, Ky., June 7.—Revenue Agent Augustus Bigot renewed by filing another suit the proceedings inaugurated by William Weller, Jr., during his term as revenue agent, against the Southern Pacific Railroad company for back taxes on property worth \$300,000. The actual amount in litigation is \$3,000,000, being taxes at an average rate of 70 cents on hundred upon a \$50,000,000 property for five years.

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ON MAIN STREET

MANY MEN SHOT DOWN

Mass Meeting at Victor, Colorado, Ends in a Riot.

TROOPS ALSO ATTACK UNION HALL

Dynamite Outrage, by Which a Dozen Persons Were Killed, is Followed by a Series of Sifting Events in the Region of Cripple Creek—An Appeal to Roosevelt.

Denver, June 7.—A reign of terror, brought on by a diabolical dynamiting plot, followed by rioting and an assault upon the militia, exists in the Cripple Creek mining district. Armed men throng the streets and conflicts are hourly occurring. Militiamen are marching hither and thither, making arrests by wholesale. A number of union miners have been placed in the military bullpen and others are being gathered in at frequent intervals. City and county officials have been compelled to resign their offices because of their reputed sympathy.

As near as can be estimated, 22 are dead and a score or more injured as a result of the events leading up to the conditions above described. It is estimated that the loss of life in the Cripple Creek dynamite explosion was 22. The loss of life in the Cripple Creek dynamite explosion was 22.

Work of a Tornado.
Fairmont, W. Va., June 7.—Oil derricks were razed, houses were unroofed and twisted on their foundations and lives were imperiled in a fierce tornado that swept the town of Amos, 12 miles from here. Amos is the center of a large oil territory and nearly all the wells in that region are owned by the South Penn Oil company. The damage sustained by the oil company is estimated at \$75,000 and that of the town at \$2,000. The hurricane came almost without warning, and many people had not time to seek shelter.

Doctor Murray Declined.
Birmingham, Ala., June 7.—Rev. John G. Murray, rector of St. Michael's and All Angels' Episcopal church of Baltimore, and former rector of the Church of the Advent of Washington, has declined the bishopric of Kentucky, to which he was elected by the diocesan council of that state in convention at Hopkinsville, May 17. Mr. Murray says that he is convinced that his present paramount duty is in Baltimore.

Tobacco Warehouse Burn.
Richmond, Va., June 7.—Fire in the tobacco district of Danville destroyed three warehouses and 4,000,000 pounds of tobacco. The American Tobacco company was the lessee of the buildings. The estimated loss is \$600,000, covered by insurance.

Largest Ever Unearthed.
Cheyenne, Wyo., June 2.—William Reed of the University of Wyoming reports the discovery in Carbon county of the fossil remains of a brontosaurus, which is the largest ever unearthed.

Six Persons Killed and Many Injured as a Result.
Norwalk, O., June 3.—Six persons were killed and a dozen or more badly hurt as the result of a collision between an eastbound fast electric passenger car and a westbound "package freight" car at West's Corners, a few miles east of this city, on the Lake Shore electric railway. The accident occurred at a point quite distant from any immediate means of communication, and assistance was sent from Norwalk, where every physician and nurse in the city was called into service and hurried to the place of the accident on a special train. All those killed were in the smoking compartment. The cars were smashed to pieces.

The dead: Charles Pak, Lorain, O.; W. W. Sherwood, Garrettsville, O.;

Sullivan, an inspector of safety appliances for the Interstate commerce commission, Binghamton, N. Y.; Clarence Ketcham, Lorain, O.; Ralph Williams, colored, Indianapolis, Ind.; identified man, in whose pocket was a key ring with the name George Jud Taylor, Alliance, O.

To Search For a Lost Island.
Washington, June 2.—On her return trip from Honolulu the cruiser Denver will search for the "Lost Island of the Pacific." This island is supposed to be somewhere between Hawaii and California bay. It appears on the older Spanish maps, but on American maps it is put down as doubtful. It has long been a theory that the American ship of war "Albatross," which disappeared in 1859 on a voyage from Honolulu to Panama and was never heard of again, was wrecked off this island. American explorers have been in search of the island before, but no trace of it has been found.

Freight Trains in Collision.
Chambersburg, Pa., June 2.—A head-on collision of freight trains occurred on the Cumberland Valley railroad, six miles east of here. Elmer Wake, 40, an engineer, was instantly killed, and William Conklyn, a trainman, is believed to be fatally hurt. Five other trainmen sustained injuries. The two engines and 14 cars were wrecked.

John Bull Doesn't Believe It.
London, June 7.—The rumor of the suggested sale of the Philippine islands to Japan receives no credence here.

Taught Him a Lesson.
Back in the seventies, when Dewey had command of a ship of the old Hartford type, he was lying in the harbor off Manila. Visitors were allowed on board at all times, except Sunday morning, when inspection took place. One Sunday a well known American millionaire steamed out with a party of friends in his private yacht and succeeded in getting on deck, where he was met by Captain Dewey, who asked him to leave. Mr. Money remonstrated, and finally, exasperated by the cool firmness of the officer, he burst out: "No, sir; I won't leave. I am an American citizen and have a perfect right on this vessel. I pay taxes in America. I am on my own property. Part of this ship belongs to me!" Captain Dewey opened his penknife, stooped down and split off a piece of the deck flooring. Handing it to the incensed American citizen, he replied: "There's about what you own, and there's the ladder. Now get!" And he got.

Hate as Big as Clothesbaskets.
When Koreans don mourning the first stage demands a hat as large as a diminutive open clothesbasket. It is four feet in circumference and completely conceals the face, which is hidden further by a piece of coarse lawn stretched upon two sticks and held just below the eyes. In this stage nothing whatever of the face may be seen. The second stage is denoted by the removal of the screen. The third period is marked through the replacement of the inverted basket by the customary headgear, made in straw color. The ordinary head covering takes the shape of the high crowned hat worn by West women, with a broad brim, made in black gauze upon a bamboo frame.

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